

REMEMBER, NO IMPULSIVE ITEMS

I PROMISE

PLOP
PLOP
PLOP

I SUPPOSE YOU'RE GOING TO TELL ME THOSE CANS FELL INTO THE CART BY THEMSELVES!

WELL, AH, I, AH

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ARE WE LOOKING FOR THE CADILLAC?

JUST SOMETHING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE LINE, TED.

MAY I HELP YOU?

WE'RE LOOKING FOR A WASHER. SHOW US WHAT YOU'VE GOT BETWEEN A PONTIAC SONNEVILLE AND A CHEVY MALIBU.

THE SPORTS ANALOGIES COME NEXT. I'M REASONABLY FLUENT IN HUSBAND IF YOU WANT ME TO TRANSLATE.

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I'M OFF. I'D BETTER SEE YOU.

MAYBE I'D BETTER COME WITH YOU, PET. PLAYING FOR A DIFFERENT TEAM AND ON A STRANGE GROUND.

WHO'S GOING TO RUN UP AND KISS YOU IF YOU SCORE? YOU CAN'T RELY ON STRANGERS.

LOOK, PET, I KNOW YOU MEAN WELL...

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THE NATIONAL BELLY-BLOW CENTER IS FORECASTING A FORTY PERCENT CHANCE OF BELLY-BLOWS!

EEEEEEEEEEEEEE

BRAAAAAAP!!

THAT FELT LIKE A LOT MORE THAN FORTY!!

BELLY-BLOWING IS AN INEXACT SCIENCE!

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YOU SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT OF THAT BEFORE WE LEFT HOME!

COVERLY

Panel 1: Homer Simpson is shown from the chest up, looking determined with a slight frown. A speech bubble from him says: "I'M GOING TO HELP SUMO LOSE WEIGHT. I'M ENCOURAGING HIM TO EAT MORE GREENS."

Panel 2: Homer is standing next to a small, round pig named Sumo. Sumo is holding a green leaf. Homer is pointing at the leaf. A speech bubble from Homer says: "I TAKE IT YOU FORGOT THE BEAN BAG CHAIR WAS GREEN."

Panel 3: Homer is shown from the chest up, looking exhausted with his hands on his head. A speech bubble from him says: "I TAKE IT YOU FORGOT THE BEAN BAG CHAIR WAS GREEN."

Panel 4: Homer is shown from the chest up, looking exhausted with his hands on his head. A speech bubble from him says: "I TAKE IT YOU FORGOT THE BEAN BAG CHAIR WAS GREEN."

1. I SAVED A LOT OF MONEY BY HIRING A LOW-PRICED CONSULTANT.

2. THESE AREN'T THE BEST RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE WORLD, BUT THE PRICE WAS VERY REASONABLE.

3. I DON'T LIKE THIS ONE ABOUT ROLLING AROUND ON UNWASHED HAMBURGER PATTIES.

4. KEEP AN OPEN MIND.

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"You are not a good role model."

A cartoon by Stayskal. A man is sitting on a sofa, looking at three cats sitting on a table. A woman is standing in the doorway behind them. The man is saying, "Ralph always wanted to be a lion trainer."

Syndicated columnist **Rowland Evans** is 77. Author **Harper Lee** ("To Kill a Mockingbird," 1960) is 72. Former Secretary of State **James A. Baker III** is 68. The president of Iraq, **Saddam Hussein**, is 61. Actress-singer **Ann-Margret** is 57. Actress **Marcia Strassman** is 50. Talk-show host **Jay Leno** is 48. Rapper **Too Short** is 32. Actress **Simbi Khali** ("3rd Rock From the Sun") is 27. Actress **Melissa Joan Hart** is 22.

THIS WAS AN APACHE CAMP ALL RIGHT. SEE THEM FLAXY BITS OF CRUST?

The adventures of Betty Crockett.

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For Wednesday, April 29, 1998

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You are very involved in other people's lives. There is less time for family than you would like.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're not in the mood to be left alone, but you're not keen about the day's social prospects.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Put aside plans to get a lot of work accomplished. Too many other demands will be made on your time. Keep stress to a minimum.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's pointless to criticize and then withdraw into yourself. Keep the lines of communication open.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) A small monetary issue may arise. Don't let your self get unduly upset. Keep things in perspective.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) You may find strain between an in-law and a family member. Demands at home could delay plans for travel.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Work is on your mind, but it's best to devote yourself to non-material concerns. Don't be critical of others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You have loose ends to tackle, leaving less time for socializing. A friend seems superficial.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A partner's self-preoccupation leaves you feeling left out. Too much concern about little things may frazzle your nerves.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Your offhanded manner could offend someone close to you. Keep a safeguard on credit.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) You need to watch expenditures. Before you know it, you will have spent quite a sum.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) It is not the day to communicate your thoughts. Misunderstandings over career and money could easily arise.

Famous Smiths

C Q N K H M E B Y V S P M J H
E B Y V T A Q O L I M G D B Y
W T R P M R K I F A D B Y W U
S N Q O H G M O G K I F D B Z
X W H U S A Q G Z O T N L J H
F D C O B R I A Y Z T H W V N
T S Q B J E P D N M I P L A A
K I U H F T E C E A M E T B E
Z B Y W V U P S N D M S T E D
R O P N Y R R A H A E O L A M
L J I H F N Y L C A J J E D K

Monday's unlisted clue: **SWEDEN**
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Tuesday's unlisted clue hint: **Former Cardinal Shortstop**

Adam	Emmitt	Jedediah	Maggie
Bubba	Harry	Joseph	Margaret
Capt. John	Ian	Kate	Stan
Dean	Jaclyn	Lee	

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For solution, see Classified.

By Bobby Wolf

Today's deal was played at a team-of-four event. One South made his game easily. The other suffered a one-trick set. One East had a more active imagination than the other. At the first table, West led his club king and East signaled with his 10. On West's queen, East echoed with his eight. West shifted to a trump and South took charge, drawing trumps and leading a club from dummy. East won his ace and shifted to diamonds, but it was too late. South took dummy's ace, cashed his heart ace, and discarded dummy's diamond on his club jack. The defense took only three club tricks, and South had his vulnerable game. In the replay, West also led the club king, and East encouraged with his 10. However, when West continued with his queen, East overtook and returned his nine. If South covered, West would ruff, eliminating dummy's diamond discard. And if South refused to cover, East would simply lead another club, killing South's jack. With no chance to discard a diamond and no 3-3 heart break, South had no escape. He had to concede three clubs and a diamond for a one-trick set. How could East tell that West had a doubleton K-Q of clubs? He couldn't be positive; however, he had good reasons. Given South's opening bid, West might not have led a club from K-Q-x. And if he had, he would have led a low club at trick two. Besides, if his side had no diamond trick, the most East's imagination could lose was an insignificant overtrick.

NORTH 04-23 A

♠ K J 10 7
♥ K Q 3 2
♦ A 7
♣ 7 4 2

WEST **EAST**

♠ 5 4 3 ♠ 6 2
♥ 6 5 ♥ J 10 9 8
♦ K J 6 5 3 2 ♦ 10 9 4
♣ K Q ♣ A 10 9 8

SOUTH

♠ A Q 9 8
♥ A 7 4
♦ Q 8
♣ J 6 5 3

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

The bidding.

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
1 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	All pass

Opening lead: Club king

No. 0317

ACROSS

1 "You are here" posting
4 Hawkeye Pierce portrayer
8 Result
14 Sign that all are welcome
15 Floodgate
17 Like a swift and spectacular success
19 Do a slow burn
19 Fabled thieves in green
21 "The _____ Mutiny"
23 H.S. math
24 Sounds of hesitation
25 California fort named for a Union general
26 Circumspect

32 Small-business magazine
33 Asimov and Newton
37 Civil rights activist Parks
38 It'll make you red in the face
40 Maliora, e.g.
41 Spinning
43 Black gunk
44 Wash cycle
48 Augusta golf tourney
47 CPR expert
46 Ecol. watchdog
51 First person in Berlin
53 Where to get Seoul food
54 Ivy League rooters in green
56 Taking the place (of)

58 _____ for a brave
63 "You _____ bother!"
64 Person-to-person
65 They can be liquid or frozen
66 Distort
67 Actor Beatty

DOWN

1 Tattoo word, often
2 King Kong
3 Culture container
4 Desert clay
5 Actress Singer of "Footloose"
6 "_____ What Comes Naturally" (Irving)

WANTED CRANK BAT
EMILIE AARON AGE
BALLS OFF FIRE RAN
SUET BERRIE
POWDERS APPOINT
OTHERS SLOAME
STINT BUILD RHO
SETS MIDGE WREN
THE SEDAN MIENS
SIXTEEN SEV FIRE
TSHIRTS BENEFIT
OHANE SOLA
GAR WALLOF CHINA
ANK ELIOT GARED
SIS DEBBY SPEED

Tattoo word, often
King Kong
Culture
container
Desert clay
Actress Singer of "Footloose"
"——— What
Comes
Naturally" (Ivins
Berlin song)
Flatfoot's lack
Fighters in
green
Sorority
candidates
Takes to court
Words to a
blackjack dealer
Yellow pigment
Many MTV
watchers
It's a gas
Row your boat

Cupid's dart
Cookie sellers
in green
Popular card
name

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20 Sharp as a tack	40 Window pieces	56 Ocean motor
21 Speaker's spot	41 Site in a Bizet suite	57 Ark groupings
22 Hurt badly	42 Sound of a punch	58 Bit of hair
23 Slanderous insinuation	43 "Chestnuts roasting—open fire"	59 At no cost
24 General weather conditions		60 Opposite SS
25 Holiday visitor		61 Cable kingly Turner
26 Civil War grp.		

47 Clothing
 48 Turkey day: Abbr.
 49 Patsy's pal on "Absolutely Fabulous"

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